

Cairde Uí Fhiaich Friends of the Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Memorial Library & Archive

Northern Ireland · Charity number 100535

Details

Known as	Caire Uí Fhiaich
Status	Received
Registered	2014-10-15
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: Cairde Uí Fhiaich is established to advance the cultural life of the public by the promotion, support, assistance and improvement of The Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Memorial Library & Archive without distinction of age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion by associating with community and voluntary organisations and statutory bodies and to help and support The Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Memorial Library & Archive by the purchase or gifts of documents, books & artefacts or by any other appropriate means.

What the charity does: The advancement of education, The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science

How the charity works: Arts, Cultural, Heritage/historical, Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: General public

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£3,837	£2,932	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Cornelius Francis McGleenon		
Michael Mckeown		
Roddy Hegarty		
Réamonn Ó Ciaráin		

Accounts

Cairde Uí Fhiaich Friends Of The Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Memorial Library & Archive

Accounts for 12 months ended 31 March 2025

Income

Donations Received	£ 3,837
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Expenditure

Bank Charges	£. 89
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Funds to Charity	£ 2,843
	£. 2,932

Increase in Funds Held	£ 905
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Balance sheet as at 31 March 2025

Danske Bank Opening Balance	£ 27,000
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Movement in Funds	£ 905
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Danske Bank Closing Balance	£ 27,905
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**Independent Examiner' Report
for period ending 31 March 2025**

I have reviewed the financial statements of Cairde Uí Fhiaich Friends of The Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Memorial Library & Archive for the period ended 31 March 2025 which comprise of the income and expenditure account & balance sheet. I confirm that all sources of income have been properly accounted for and I have reviewed the bank account transactions. In my opinion the society's reporting is entirely reliable and accurate.

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Date: 30th June 2025

Accounts

Cairde Uí Fhiaich Friends Of The Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Memorial Library & Archive

Accounts for 12 months ended 31 March 2024

2024

Income

Donations Received £ 5,589

Expenditure

Bank Charges £. 97

Funds to Charity £ 23,540
£. 23,637

Reduction in Funds Held £ 18,048

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Balance sheet as at 31 March 2024

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Annual report

Cairde Uí Fhiaich

Friends of the Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Memorial Library & Archive

Trustees Report 2024

1. Background

At a meeting held on 20 November 2013 the concept of a 'Friends of' society was outlined and support was sought from those who would be prepared to assist with the setting up and running of such a venture. The aim of the venture was outlined as being exclusively in support of the work of the Cardinal Ó Fiaich Library and Archive. A working group of four was established to draw up a constitution and open a bank account.

Cairde Uí Fhiaich, Friends of the Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Memorial Library & Archive (Cairde) was officially launched in Armagh on 5 September 2014. A large audience of more than one hundred people attended including individuals and bodies that had supported the library and archive's work over recent years.

2. Charity Registration

Cairde Uí Fhiaich is registered with the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland on the charity register, NIC100535.

3. HMRC Giftaid

Cairde Uí Fhiaich is registered with HMRC and has been issued with a tax reference for charitable purposes and for reclaiming Giftaid

Fundraising and Public Benefit

During the year ended 31 March 2018 the Cairde Uí Fhiaich accounts demonstrated a balance of £45,048. During the year to March £5,589 had been received in donations. £97 was paid in banking charges for the same period. It had made a contribution to the work of the Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Memorial Library & Archive of £23,540 during the previous twelve months. It was agreed that although the accounts continue to be healthy that a cautious approach should be maintained. A date was set for the Annual public meeting on 10 September 2025.

4. Plans for 2024-25

At the Annual Public Meeting held on 4 September 2024 the outgoing committee were returned unopposed and unanimously. It was agreed to continue the ongoing work in the year ahead at increase the membership base and to work closely with the clients of the library and archive to indentify new promotional opportunities. It was further agreed to seek two additional Trustees during the year ahead to ensure a smooth succession.

Mr Turlough Trainor was reappointed as the independent examiner for the accounts for the coming year.

Roddy Hegarty, Secretary,

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2023

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Donations Received £ 4,040

Expenditure

Bank Charges	£. 98
Funds to Charity	<u>£ 17,500</u>
	£. 17,598

Reduction in Funds Held £ 13,558

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Balance sheet as at 31 March 2023

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Movement in Funds £ 13,558

Danske Bank Closing Balance £ 45048

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During the year ended 31 March 2023 the Cairde Uí Fhiaich accounts showed a balance of £45,048. The charity had made a contribution to the Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Memorial Library & Archive of £17,500 as a contribution to support its work in raising its profile and developing audiences in the post Covid environment. It was agreed that although the accounts remain healthy that a cautious approach should be maintained in the year ahead. A further £98.00 was paid in bank charges.

4. Plans for 2023-24

At the Annual General Meeting held on 12 September 2023 the outgoing committee were returned un-opposed and unanimously. It was agreed that greater support would be required in the year ahead to support the work of the Library & Archive which had recently lost its funding from

government. A renewed emphasis would be required to raise additional funds in support of the charity for this purpose.

Mr Turlough Trainor was reappointed as the independent examiner for the accounts for the coming year.

Roddy Hegarty, Secretary, 13 September 2023.

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